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ILL-TIMED PEACE TALK.

A GAIN mysteriously the whisper of peace runs through Europe; bigger things than we know or guess are happening behind the scenes in the belligerent capitals. The allied conference is sitting in Paris; Lord Lansdowne, conservative political leader of Britain, normally a member of the most relentless of the win-the-war parties, startles the world with an out-and-out pacifist declaration; the haven of the Russian impossibilists propaganda is working in the strong Socialist parties in Italy, France and England—and Kaiserland, Peace, a weary world longs for it; but peace now is a vain dream. On top of the exchanges that will come as the result of Lansdowne's startling letter, on top of what the allies will decide to say to the Bolsheviks, will come, in all probability, another "peace offensive" from the kaiser. There is likely to be a great deal of peace talk this winter. Certainly Great Britain must be rife with a disturbing controversy now. One section of the press brands Lansdowne's move as a disaster, holding that he could not have chosen a more inopportune time to start anew the old controversy as to war aims and peace terms. The pacifist papers, and England has a multiplicity of them, the government having failed to suppress them, in sharp contrast to the masterly conduct of our own government, hail Lansdowne's conversion with delight as proof of the success of their propaganda. Lansdowne was at one time foreign minister of Great Britain, viceroy of India, and more recently a member of Asquith's coalition administration. His knowledge of diplomacy and foreign affairs, gathered in his long service in public offices of great importance, adds weight to his words, makes consideration of them unavoidable, and so the old, bitter controversy is on again in full swing. It is very apparent that he acted as an individual and on his own initiative. Germany's hectic glee at what her papers see as the "beginning of England's getting reasonable" and the declaration that the letter is a "semi-official feeler," are absurd. If Lansdowne desired to handicap the delicate work of the allied council in Paris, if he wanted to further inflame that portion of the Italian population that has drunk at the Bolshevik well and gotten intoxicated with the belief of the possibility of an immediate peace, if he wanted to loose the long tongues of our own Scott Nearing, Hillquits and other incorrigible pacifists, then he took the short way to accomplish it. The answer is the British drive against Von Hindenburg's "impregnable" line. The answer is down in Italy where the Germans have been held all along the line and are preparing for a "strategic retreat," and the answer is with those American engineers who did their jobs under shell fire in the American fashion—fast and efficiently—and with our hundreds of thousands of recruits ready and anxious to go "over there" for a chance at the Germans. They may talk peace, but there is no peace, nor will there be for many weary months. America has bared her arms for the fight, all her tremendous machinery of production has been organized for war, and war it will be though all the Lansdownes in the capitals of Europe lose their grip and move for a premature, disastrous peace.

A BRITISH OPINION.

THAT influential British weekly, the Westminster Gazette, in the last issue to reach this country, unreservedly criticizes the allied governments for the handling of the Russian situation, going so far as to declare that they must share the blame for the chaos in the Muscovite nation. The following editorial, printed conspicuously on the first page, is interesting for the contrast it affords to the bulk of American opinion:

"In the meantime, the allied governments must take their share of the blame for what is happening in Russia. They have not brought insight and imagination to bear on the Russian situation or grasped what was going forward in the struggle between the Maximalists and the moderate revolutionaries. If they had permitted the Stockholm conference to assemble, they would have deprived the Maximalists of their chief weapon and armed the provisional government with an answer to its most formidable critics. The Stockholm conference might have explored and disposed of the Maximalist belief that Germany would consent to the ideal peace; and, if it had broken down, as it probably would have done, have convinced the Russian people that they had no course before them but to hold together and throw their weight into the war. If, failing the Stockholm conference, the allied governments had quickly convened their own conference about war aims and furnished M. Kerensky with a simple and intelligible statement of agreed aims, the danger might still have been averted. It is no use to go back on these wasted opportunities, but we may now expect the allied governments to bring all their brains and intelligence to bear on the Russian situation as it affects the allies, and not to ride off on the plea that the time is inopportune or that there is no room for brains and intelligence until the military situation is cleared up."

GETTING STRONGER.

ONE gets cross-eyed reading these dispatches from Russia. Yesterday in one paragraph we read that the Lenin government has been "overthrown," a word suggestive of armed force and successful counter revolution, and in the next paragraph we see: "A Russian wireless communication announces the union of the all-Russian central executive committee, of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates with the executive com-

mittee elected by the all-Russian peasants' congress. These bodies and the Petrograd Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates have unanimously agreed on laws concerning land, peace and the law, resting all control in the hands of the workmen." That doesn't sound like a coalition government, or a defeat for the Bolsheviks. If true, the Bolsheviks are there to stay for some time. The peasant congress, organized originally of delegates, each of whom represented 1,000 peasants, is pretty thoroughly representative of the great body of peasants, by far the most numerous of any section of the population. If the peasants through their congress have put their O. K. on Messrs. Lenin and Trotsky, we may take the talk of a success for the Cossack Kaledines with a large grain of salt. It seems that time for consideration of whether Lenin has the people behind him or not has definitely passed. What should be considered is the question of what to do with him. Can the allies recognize him? If not, what should their attitude be? Will it be wise to brand his government an enemy belligerent? The allied council has a big job ahead to draft an answer to the Bolsheviks. We don't want Russia as a semi-ally of Germany; we want Russia fighting with the other democracies, and it will be with that idea, no doubt, that the answer will be written. It is easy to get exasperated and consign the whole group to the nether world, but it is wretched diplomacy.

WASHINGTON URGES AGAINST CONDEMNATION OF THE RUSSIANS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Realization of the danger of causing a reaction in Russia favorable to the central powers by intervention in the political affairs of the new democracy, has caused administration officials here to sound a note of warning against hasty condemnation of the Bolsheviks.

Back of what is described as a tolerant policy in dealing with Russia, apparently not only is a purpose to demonstrate faith in the ultimate tabulation of the democracy, but a faint hope that the extremist faction which is for the moment in control of the government will refrain from violating Russia's treaty pledges to the entente allies and make a separate peace. So long as there is a possibility that these overtures will fall because of the apparently irreconcilable differences be-

ADDRESS ON BANKING.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Sir Richard Vassar Smith, in a recent address before the Institute of Bankers, said one feature of recent banking developments had been the greater and more immediate control which leading banks had assumed over financial relations with other countries by the creation of foreign departments and the opening of branches in foreign countries. This development of international banking meant a demand for young Englishmen with a knowledge of foreign languages, foreign exchange and the commercial and financial conditions in other countries.

Preliminary examinations of the Institute for the coming year had been opened to women. He saw no reason for dejection or discouragement with regard to the future. Reconstruction after the war would be long and arduous, but it must be undertaken by removing all friction from the machinery of progress and by approaching the problem in a spirit of good will.

He stated that the first and most serious question, in his opinion, was the relations of capital and labor, as it was only by a harmonious working between these two forces that the required result could be obtained.

He urged strongly the necessity of better organization, after the war. The day of small industries on individual lines was gone, he said, and manufacturers and traders must organize for united effort.

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LETTER AROUSES STORM OF CRITICISM; NOT BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade, in his weekly talk with the Associated Press, declared emphatically that the Marquis of Lansdowne, in writing a letter containing peace suggestions, was not speaking for any important body of opinion in England.

"The most important thing to say in regard to Lansdowne's letter," Lord Robert said, "is that he spoke only for himself. Before writing it, he did not consult or have any communication with any member of the government and the members of the government read the letter in the newspapers with as much surprise as anybody else."

"It does not represent our views nor has there been any change or modification in the slightest degree in the war policy of this country. Our policy is still what it always has been and as described by the authorized spokesmen of the country, namely, Premier Lloyd George, Asquith, Bonar Law and Balfour. It has been put in different words by them, but perhaps is best summed up in the recent utterance of Premier Clemenceau—that the war aim for which we are fighting is victory."

The chancellor further declared that the views expressed by Lansdowne were not the views of any of his colleagues either in the cabinet or out of it. A strongly worded resolution condemning the publication of the letter was adopted at the meeting and cabled to Paris to the inter-allied conference.

DESTROYING HOLY PLACE.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 1.—General Allenby reports that the Turko-German artillery has made its objective the Mosque erected on the traditional site of the Tomb of the Prophet Samuel. This site is held in equal reverence by Christian, Mohammedan and Jew. The Minaret has been destroyed by this bombardment.

TEACHER SHOT.

(By Associated Press.)

DURON, S. D., Dec. 1.—Miss Lucille Ohm, a school teacher, was killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun in the hands of John O'Kane, while hunting near here yesterday.

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VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE VILLISTAS

(By Associated Press.)

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 1.—General Francisco Murguía has arrived in Chihuahua City with approximately 3,000 men from Saltillo to take the field against Francisco Villa and his followers, who have been operating in the vicinity of Chihuahua City and have attacked the federal columns at Ojinaga, LaGuna and Cuchillo Parado. This was officially announced here and was also confirmed by private information received from Chihuahua City.

The arrival of General Murguía and his personal command, composing the "Death Head Troops," is expected to mean a more vigorous campaign against the Villa followers.

MAKE FALSE LEGS.

(By Associated Press.)

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CONDEMNNS SINN FEIN.

(By Associated Press.)

DUBLIN, Dec. 1.—John Dillon, Nationalist member of the house of commons, addressing the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Dublin recently, condemned the Sinn Feiners for "alienating the sympathy of the United States from the Irish cause." The friendship and support of the Americans in Ireland's struggle for liberty was their greatest asset, he said. But what was happening in America today filled him with horror. Friends and supporters of the Sinn Feiners in Ireland, he said, were now charged with treason to the flag, and with entering into a combination with Germany to defeat America. He was deeply convinced that the Irish race in America would take steps immediately to disassociate the name of Ireland from such conduct.

Nobody, said Mr. Dillon, could exaggerate the fatal character of the policy of undertaking to make Ireland a republic, and as a first step in that career, quarreling with the United States and turning on the flag which was the dearest to the Irish race of any flag in the world.

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(By Associated Press.)

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